

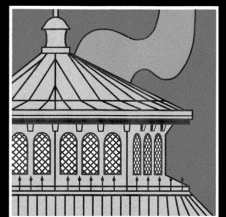


State of the City

A look back on the last four years....looking forward to the next four years

April 17, 2018

City of



Waukesha

Dear Residents, City Council, and City Staff,

It is hard to believe that it has been four years since I first took the Oath of Office as your Mayor. It has truly been an honor and privilege to serve this City. The last four years have certainly been a time of challenge, opportunities and accomplishment. I hope that you will enjoy reflecting with me on what I consider be our top ten accomplishments. It was hard to limit the list to ten! All our accomplishments are brought about by the excellent team of professionals we have working day in and day out for the City and by the guidance and direction of the entire Common Council. We should all feel a sense of pride and accomplishment over what we have achieved during the last four years.

The next four years will also bring challenges, as well as continued opportunities for growth and improvement. I look forward to working with Aldermen and our excellent employees to help lead the City forward during the next four years.



Sincerely,

Shawn N. Reilly

Shawn N. Reilly, Mayor

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APRIL 2014 TO APRIL 2018

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Great Lakes Water Project

March 1, 2017

Great Water Alliance Brand is launched to help keep everyone informed on the Water process—
greatwateralliance.com

June 21, 2016

Received unanimous approval from the Great Lakes Compact Council for the use of Lake Michigan Water

December 20, 2017

Mayor Reilly and Milwaukee's Mayor Barrett sign a water service agreement for the City of Milwaukee to sell water to the City of Waukesha

January 7, 2016

Application met Wisconsin DNR criteria and was forwarded for regional review

\$224 per year

Average savings per home with a Milwaukee water supply over other potential providers



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Downtown Improvements

Since 2014, the City has been on a schedule to complete construction on Downtown streets. So far, construction has been completed on roughly 50% of Downtown streets with 3 more streets being completed this Spring.



Roadway, Water, Sewer, Storm

Sewer: The streets are being reconstructed and paved. New sewer mains, water mains and storm sewers are being installed.

Lighting: The street lighting system has being upgraded to new LED lights which are more energy efficient and will be uniform throughout the City.

Visual Enhancements: Decorative concrete brick pavers have been added as well as benches, garbage cans and bike racks to increase the aesthetic appeal of downtown.

Trees: New trees have been planted using a paver grate system. This system keeps the trees roots from causing nearby concrete to pull up or buckle.

Widened Streetscape: Sidewalk expanded to be able to accommodate pedestrians as well as to accommodate items such as tables, decorations or flowers in the pedestrian area.

Infrastructure after construction will last **40-50 years**

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New Fire Station #3 and Police Sub-Station

New Fire Station and Police sub-station was constructed at 2440 Les Paul Parkway



Fire Department began operations from the new Fire Station on February 26, 2018.

Police Department began operations from the new station in March 2018

New station helps complete the goal of reaching all residents within a **7 minute** response time

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Fiscal Integrity

4 years of clean audit
opinions

4 balanced budgets—
meeting Expenditure
Restraint Program and
Levy Limits



General Fund balance
up from \$12.65 million
to anticipated 17.39
million from 2014-
2017

City's total assessed
value went from \$5.17
billion to \$6.154 billion
from 2014-2017

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Shared Employee Health & Wellness Center

November 3, 2014 was the grand opening of the joint Employee Health and Wellness Center between the City, County and School District

On average **38%** of eligible City employees and their families have utilized the Center each year. The average continues to increase

Center has resulted in an annual return on investment rate of 7.6 : 1, resulting in **\$1.7 million** in cost avoidance related to healthcare costs.

Employee overall satisfaction continues to be over **97.5%**

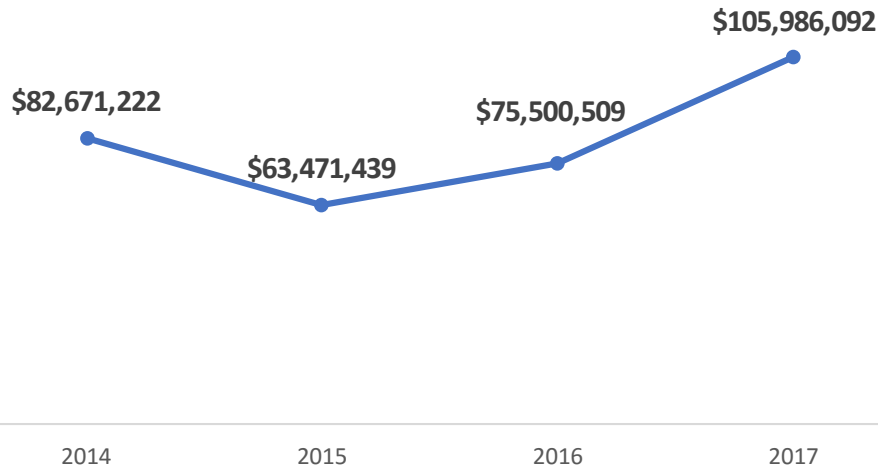
Waukesha Employee
Health & Wellness Center
SERVING THE CITY, COUNTY + SCHOOL DISTRICT

615 W. Moreland Blvd.

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Growth in Waukesha

Building Permit Valuation



Increase in
population of
506 people
from 2014

Unemployment at
3.10%.
Down from 4.80% in
2014.

Clearpoint Apartments



Examples of Growth

- Shoppes at Fox River (**186,000 sq ft** of retail space)
- Broadway Commons (**209 apartment units**)
 - Meijer store (**192,400 square ft**)
 - Oberlin Filters (**92,340 sq ft** expansion)
- Clearwater Apartments (**55 apartment units**)

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Roads and Infrastructure Improvements

Reconstructed/Resurfaced over
72 miles
of roadway throughout the City

Crack sealed over **50** streets

Installed/Replaced **32,711** feet of storm sewer

Repaired over **2,000** feet of storm sewer line failures

Installed/Replaced **59,785** feet of sewer main

Installed/Replaced **74,539** feet of water main

Repaired over **240** storm sewer inlets

Other Major Infrastructure Projects

- Full reconstruction of several main arterial streets in the City (E. Moreland, Summit, Delafield, Madison, Arcadian)
- Construction of City portion of West Waukesha Bypass Project
- Flood Mitigation projects

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New Events

Celebrate



Celebrate Waukesha breakfast meeting with business and community leaders



Series of Neighborhood Beer Gardens hosted in parks throughout Waukesha



Annual fall event full of music, food, games and fun in Frame Park



Annual summer concert series at Les Paul Performance Center in Cutler Park.



Annual summer movie series at Les Paul Performance Center in Cutler Park.

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Clean Water Plant Upgrades

\$42 million construction project was completed in 2017. After 3 years of work, the project was completed under budget. The solids processing was updated with the addition of an “egg” shaped digester, the first new digester in 30 years. It also included a centrifuge for dewatering. Upgrades throughout the plant included process equipment and HVAC in almost every building. The administration building was remodeled with attention to modernizing the laboratory and space for meetings and training. The Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition (SCADA) system was completely upgraded along with the electrical distribution system. Site work included roads, bio-retention basins for storm water, and exterior building repairs.



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Creation of Waukesha County Center for Growth

Created in 2016 with partnerships between the City, Waukesha County, the Waukesha County Business Alliance and 11 other municipalities in the County

As the County's economic development organization, the focus is on generating investment, creating jobs and growing Waukesha County's economic base



In 2017, the first full year of operation the Center:

- Helped **9 companies** choose Waukesha County as a place to start, expand, or locate their business
- Helped created **90 jobs**
- Met with **637 companies**

Stronger as a region when working together

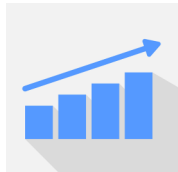
Other Noteworthy Accomplishments...

Police Department received re-accreditation through the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group (WILEAG).



Increased communication outlets with residents through an expanded social media presence and weekly e-newsletter, What's Up in Waukesha.

Launched a new Downtown Waukesha branding campaign



Implementing pay for performance for all City employees to tie pay increases to employee performance evaluations

Added 6 part-time Community service officers in our Police Department for expanded Police and community engagement



Added additional Code Enforcement Officer in Community Development. Handled 1,360 more code cases in 2017 compared to 2014.

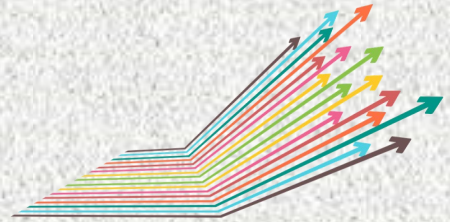
Forestry Department continues fight against Emerald Ash Borer. 70% of the City's 4,920 Ash Trees are protected through treatment.



Looking Ahead To The Next Four Years

IMPLEMENTING NEW CITY STRATEGIC PLAN

A new Strategic Plan will be going before Council for approval which establishes the goals and priorities for the City.



LAKE MICHIGAN WATER PROJECT

Construction is expected to start in late 2019 or early 2020. The goal will be to continue to work to secure federal funding and keep costs as low as possible for homeowners.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A continued focus will be placed on attracting and retaining businesses throughout the City. Additionally the continued revitalization of Downtown will be a priority.



INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Road, sewer, storm water, water and other infrastructure components will continue to be replaced and prioritized through our Capital Investment Program.



LEGISLATIVE OUTREACH

Mayor will continue advocating for legislation that helps benefit the City of Waukesha.





EXCITING TIMES IN WAUKESHA